

# MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(9)


**TO:** Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime  
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

**DATE:** March 3, 2015

**FROM:** R. A. Cuevas, Jr.  
County Attorney

**SUBJECT:** Resolution (1) directing the County Mayor to create a Miami-Dade County Youth Summer Job Program consistent with the terms of the resolution (2) directing the County Mayor to identify up to \$2.5 million in general fund or other available revenues to finance such program; (3) urging the Children's Trust to provide funds; (4) authorizing the County Mayor to apply for and accept funding from other available sources for such program, subject to Board ratification or approval, as necessary

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Co-Prime Sponsors Commissioner Xavier L. Suarez and Chairman Jean Monestime, and Co-Sponsors Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava, Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.

  
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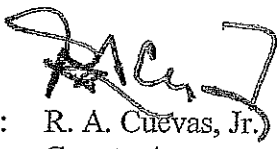


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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's \_\_\_\_\_, 3/5's \_\_\_\_\_, unanimous \_\_\_\_\_) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved \_\_\_\_\_ Mayor

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Veto \_\_\_\_\_

3-3-15

Override \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLUTION (1) DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO CREATE A MIAMI-DADE COUNTY YOUTH SUMMER JOB PROGRAM CONSISTENT WITH THE TERMS OF THIS RESOLUTION; (2) DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO IDENTIFY UP TO \$2.5 MILLION IN GENERAL FUND OR OTHER AVAILABLE REVENUES TO FINANCE SUCH PROGRAM TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS; (3) URGING THE CHILDREN'S TRUST TO PROVIDE FUNDS FOR SUCH PROGRAM; (4) AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FUNDING FROM OTHER AVAILABLE SOURCES FOR SUCH PROGRAM AND TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS WITH THE CHILDREN'S TRUST AND ANY OTHER ENTITY GRANTING FUNDING FOR SUCH PROGRAM, SUBJECT TO BOARD RATIFICATION, IF NO MATCHING FUNDS ARE REQUIRED, AND SUBJECT TO BOARD APPROVAL, IF MATCHING FUNDS ARE REQUIRED; AND (5) DIRECTING THE COUNTY MAYOR OR COUNTY MAYOR'S DESIGNEE TO PROVIDE A REPORT WITHIN 30 DAYS

**WHEREAS**, there are approximately 82,956 youth between the ages of 15 and 19 living in Miami-Dade County, according to United States Census Bureau statistics (2014); and

**WHEREAS**, providing summer employment for as many of the youth in Miami-Dade County as possible will benefit the public; and

**WHEREAS**, specific benefits of summer employment for youth include helping the youth develop independence, responsibility, resilience, interpersonal skills, and a good work ethic, while supplementing family incomes; and

**WHEREAS**, a recent study has concluded that a “summer plus” job program for at-risk kids, which included mentoring and counseling, resulted in a 51 percent drop in arrests for violent crimes in the Chicago area; and

**WHEREAS**, summer job programs for youth not only benefit the youth who are direct participants in the program, but the direct participants serve as peer-mentors and role models for other youth who did not participate directly in the summer job programs; and

**WHEREAS**, all of the attributes gained from summer employment will serve local youth well, increasing the likelihood of their success in college, trade school or adult employment; and

**WHEREAS**, exposing youth to the local job market during their formative years will encourage them to remain in or return to Miami-Dade County as adults and help to avoid the “brain drain” that plagues our community; and

**WHEREAS**, many private and public entities/officials have or have had summer job programs for youth, including but not limited to the City of Miami’s Summer Youth Employment and Financial Empowerment Program related to summer employment within city government; the Career Pathway Compact Summer Employment Program created by South Florida Workforce and Mayor Carlos Gimenez; the Building Futures Summer Internship Program under the aegis of County Commission District 7; and the Teen Court Program through the Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust; and

**WHEREAS**, although such efforts are laudable and have greatly benefitted the youth and the community, due to funding constraints, the programs have not been able to meet the total need for summer jobs for youth; and

**WHEREAS**, in particular, there is a need for youth between the ages of 16 and 18 who have at least a 2.0 grade point average and excellent attendance in school, but who are often overlooked for summer job programs, to be able to obtain summer employment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Children's Trust has and is providing funding to organizations which have summer employment programs for youth and Miami-Dade County should endeavor to partner with the Children's Trust by requesting funding to expand existing summer job opportunities for qualifying youth who reside in each of the thirteen districts of the Board of County Commissioners (the "Board"); and

**WHEREAS**, in light of the focus of the Economic Prosperity Committee of the Board, it is appropriate for the County to prioritize and fund measures, such as the countywide summer job program for youth, as set forth herein,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA**, that this Board:

**Section 1.** Incorporates the recitals above in this resolution.

**Section 2.** Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to create a Miami-Dade County Youth Summer Job Program that targets youth between the ages of 16 and 18 who have a least a 2.0 grade point average and excellent attendance record in school and that is consistent with the provisions of this resolution.

**Section 3.** Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to identify general fund or other available revenues in the Fiscal Year 2014-2015 annual budget in an amount up to \$2.5 million dollars to finance, in part, the implementation of the Miami-Dade County Youth Summer Job Program in Fiscal Year 2014-2015 and prepare a proposed amendment to the Fiscal Year 2014-15 County budget to provide such funding and include such proposed amendment in the report required by Section 6 of this resolution.

**Section 4.** Urges the Children's Trust to provide funding to Miami-Dade County for the Miami-Dade County Youth Summer Job Program, and authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to enter into any necessary agreements with the Children's Trust,

subject to Board approval, if the Children's Trust requires the provision of matching funds from the County budget; provided, however, if the Children's Trust does not require the provision of matching funds from the County budget, the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee may enter into an agreement with the Children's Trust to provide grant funding for such program, subject to ratification by the Board.

**Section 5.** Authorizes the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to apply for and accept funding for the Miami-Dade County Youth Summer Job Program from any available source, subject to Board approval, if the entity granting funds for such program requires the provision of matching funds from the County budget; provided, however, if the entity granting funding does not require the provision of matching funds from the County budget, the County Mayor or the County Mayor's designee may enter into an agreement with the entity granting funds, subject to ratification by the Board.

**Section 6.** Directs the County Mayor or County Mayor's designee to prepare a report outlining the Miami-Dade County Youth Summer Job Program, identifying potential funding and funding sources, providing the response from the Children's Trust regarding the request for funding for the Miami-Dade County Youth Summer Job Program, and providing a draft of any necessary resolution or ordinance to amend the County budget to accomplish the purposes of this resolution and to approve or ratify, as necessary, any agreement with the Children's Trust or any entity granting funding; provide this report to each individual member of this Board within 30 days of the effective date of this resolution; and place the completed report on an agenda of the Board pursuant to Ordinance No. 14-65.

**Section 7.** Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit certified copies of this resolution to the Executive Director and members of the Children's Trust.

The Co-Prime Sponsors of the foregoing resolution are Commissioner Xavier L. Suarez and Chairman Jean Monestime, and the Co-Sponsors are Commissioner Daniella Levine Cava, Commissioner Audrey M. Edmonson, Commissioner Dennis C. Moss and Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. It was offered by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman	
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dennis C. Moss	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	Xavier L. Suarez
Juan C. Zapata	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2015. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
BY ITS BOARD OF  
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as  
to form and legal sufficiency.



Cynthia Johnson-Stacks  
Terrence Smith